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Evangelical Christian preacher Jeremy Sonnier goes nose to nose with freshman Brandon Bone.

Students get manic about street preachers in plaza



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Students gather in the Student Center plaza to protest the presence of evangelical Christian street preachers.

ANGI SADA
NEWS EDITOR

Angry students surrounded a group of evangelical street preachers in the plaza of the Milo Bail Student Center on Monday.

The plaza became crowded with students who tossed insults, arguments and, at one point, food at the preachers. One pair of male students stood in front of the preachers and kissed.

Jeremy Sonnier of Portland, Ore., led the preachers with a large white banner propped up above his shoulders. The sign warned everyone from "Roman Catholics" and "lazy Christians" to "porno freaks" and "money lovers" that "Jesus will judge you."

A major tenet of evangelical Christianity is the requirement to take to the streets and preach.

"I'm here to provoke thought ... and to preach the gospel," he said.

Sonnier represented a group called the Open Air Proclaimer/Reformer Church, and was accompanied by members of the Glory Christian Fellowship Church of Oakland, Iowa.

Women and young girls dressed in long skirts, sneakers and white bonnets handed out religious tracts, while Sonnier and two other men "preached the gospel," according to a 'use of facilities permit' request.

Strumming an acoustic guitar and singing songs of impending judgment, one man

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UNO Aviation Institute, professor announces airline quality ratings

SCOTT STEWART

SENIOR STAFF WRITER / SYSTEMS MANAGER

Jet Blue is the nation's overall highest quality airline for a third consecutive year, according to a joint study conducted by UNO and Wichita State University.

The Airline Quality Rating study measures the performance of the nation's largest airlines based on 15 criteria that are important to consumers and published by the airlines under Department of Transportation rules. These criteria include baggage handling, involuntary denied boarding, on-time arrivals and customer complaints, such

as flight problems, customer service and discrimination.

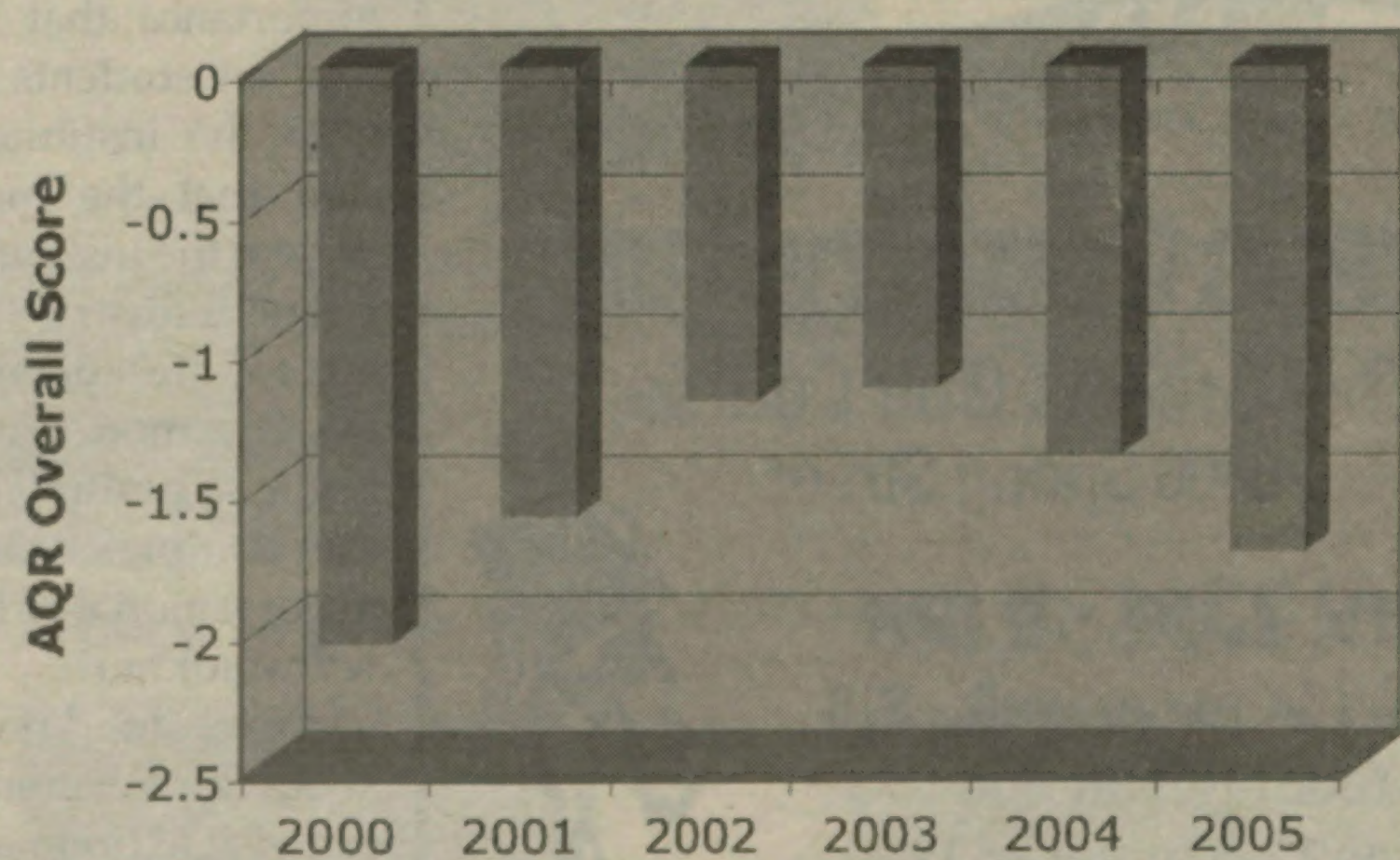
Director of UNO's Aviation Institute Brent Bowen is one of the study's co-researchers, along with Dean Headley, a professor marketing at Wichita State.

"The AQR is something I invented when I was at Wichita State," Bowen said. "This actually started as just a typical faculty research project."

After completing the initial study, Bowen said local reporters became interested in the findings and he was soon invited to appear on ABC's *Good Morning America*. Sixteen years later the results of the survey reaches 75 million

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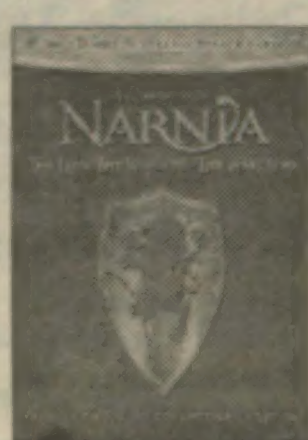
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COMPILED BY KIMBERLY BRYANT
STAFF WRITER

The Crop to promote National Poetry Month throughout April

April is National Poetry Month. The Crop, a student organization in the Writer's Workshop at UNO, has planned several campus activities in conjunction with the event.

The group's main project is titled "Poetsmatter." In order to bring attention to poetry, members of The Crop will "smatter" bulletin boards and kiosks on campus with short poems.

During the week of April 10-14, The Crop will host sidewalk chalkings in which students will be invited to create poetry on the sidewalks outside and around University Library and the Milo Bail Student Center. On Wednesday, April 19, The Crop - in collaboration with the UNO Department of English - will host a poetry reading from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the Milo Bail Student Center. Students and faculty will read a poem or two from one of their favorite authors. The rain location is the MBSC Fireplace Lounge.

For more information, contact Catharine Dixon at catherinebdixon@cox.net.

ABC Breakfast Series continues April 12

The UNO Academy, Business and Community Breakfast Speaker Series continues Wednesday, April 12, with generational marketing expert Maddy Kent Dychtwald.

The event will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Center, 72nd and Grover Streets. The doors will open at 7 a.m. for a breakfast buffet. Tickets are \$12.50 each and may be purchased by calling 554-2981.

An active participant in analyzing and forecasting lifestyle and consumer marketing trends for the past 17 years, Kent Dychtwald co-founded Age Wave Inc. in 1986 with her husband, Ken Dychtwald. Age Wave is the nation's premier think-tank and strategic consulting group focused on baby boomers and the mature market. In its first decade of existence, the company was transformed into a multi-million dollar enterprise, among the best in its field.

The ABC Breakfast Speaker Series is celebrating its 31st season in 2005-06. It is one of the nation's longest running speaker series.

For more information, call 554-2981, or visit the Web at www.unomaha.edu/~abc/.

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people annually.

"The media coverage is pretty substantial," Bowen said. "One of the reasons I continue this is the high degree of visibility it brings to the Aviation Institute. That is the real motivation to continue it."

The Aviation Institute is home to around 140 UNO students and offers two degree specializations, one for air transport administration and one for professional flight, according to Scott Vasek, academic coordinator for the institute.

"We have a bachelor's of science in

aviation degree program," Vasek said.

"We train and teach students to become commercial pilots."

Zac Wert is a sophomore at the Aviation Institute, where he studies aviation administration and is vice president of Alpha Eta Rho, an aviation fraternity.

"I really enjoy it—the classes are good and the faculty are really good," Wert said. "The classes are pretty small. You really get to know the faculty really well."

In addition to traditional resources, the Aviation Institute also offers simulators to give students additional practice in aviation.

"We do have several simulators on campus," Vasek said. "Our students do a lot of training on those devices."

When asked about the importance that the AQR had on students involved with the institute, Bowen said that the more well-known the institute is in the airline industry "the better it is for the students."

For more information on the AQR study, including the complete ranking of major national airlines, visit www.aqr.aero. Anyone wishing to know more about the Aviation Institute can visit ai.unomaha.edu.

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refused to share his name. The other man, much like Sonnier, rallied back and forth in heated debate with students.

Several students believed that Sonnier and the others were out seeking attention.

Freshman Tiffany Price said "People need to back off. He's getting the attention he wants."

Other students believed that the group was in the plaza exercising their First Amendment rights.

Many students found Sonnier's signage and arguments against gays, Catholics and abortion offensive.

"It's kind of ridiculous. Extremely ridiculous. Are they God?" freshman Casey Bigsby said.

Even though she believed Sonnier should have been ignored, Price found it hard to accept his position on Catholicism.

"I'm a sinner because I'm Roman Catholic?" she said.

Freshman Lance Molina believes that Sonnier and his followers were out of line for attacking Molina's veteran status.

"I'm a veteran and they told me I'm going to hell for defending their right to be saying this," he said.

At one point, an egg was broken on the back of Sonnier's head. As yolk and shell dripped down his neck onto his sweatshirt, several students cheered and laughed.

Dennis Goodwin, sophomore, said "I wouldn't have done it (the egging), but it was fun to watch."

Some students found the egging unjustified.

Chris Smith, a business administration major said, "I think it's [expletive deleted] up. No one should mess with you when [you're exercising your rights]."

Students believed the volatile reaction was inevitable.

Senior Tony Barker, a journalism major, said, "That's his Constitutional right, but [being on a college campus] is just a recipe for disaster."

Many of the students went directly up to Sonnier and taunted him. One female student who also chose not to share her name asked if she was going to hell because she was Jewish. Sonnier didn't answer.

The female student looked at freshman Brandon Bone, who had been standing in front of Sonnier for nearly an hour, and said, "This isn't Jesus. This is discrimination."

Sonnier found the

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COMMENTARY BY JOSH BASHARA
FEATURES EDITOR

Everyone knows there's so much content on the Internet, it'd be impossible for anyone to know all the cool, unique sites to visit. Most of the time, friends will tell you about a certain site, or you'll hear of some hilarious Web page through the grapevine.

Here is a brief list of just a few Web sites that may have slipped through the cracks. From the entertaining to the oddball to the downright useful, there's sure to be a site listed below that'll pique your curiosity.

The Best Page in the Universe – A former college student began posting his random thoughts on life and all that irritates him on this Web site, which eventually became insanely popular. Minimalist in form, the site's author, Maddox, shares his unique, often vulgar and always hilarious views on everything from the state of Idaho to why vegetarians suck.



maddox.xmission.com

Tucker Max – Similar to the above-mentioned site, Tucker Max is just a guy who started posting wild and funny stories about his life (mainly his sex life) online. Max's despicable (almost misogynistic) shenanigans are detailed in narrative form through a variety of different stories. He's got a very engaging writing style, one that puts you right there beside him as he drives some chick's car through a donut shop while high on absinthe. Hilarity ensues.

TuckerMax.com

Miniclip – One of the Web's biggest online game havens, Miniclip is all about the time-wasting Flash games that all of us have played at one time or another while we should have been working. One can waste an entire afternoon playing a wide variety of online action, puzzle, adventure and shooting games. And it's all free.

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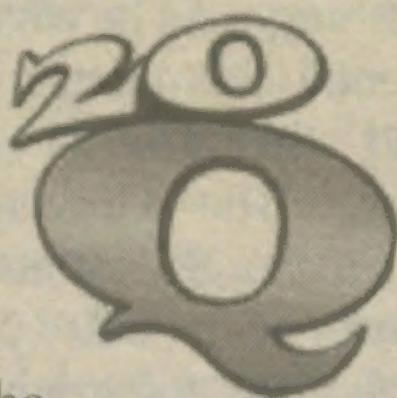
Albino Blacksheep – Speaking of time-wasters, here's another. Chock-full of games, flash animation, viral videos and funny photos, Albino Blacksheep is where it's at when it comes to entertainment. Check out Super Mario Communist, Pixelated Bunnies and the Argyle Pimps. Worth every gut-busting minute.

AlbinoBlacksheep.com

20Questions – A beautiful demonstration of artificial intelligence, 20 Questions is the

same game you used to play as a kid, only this time it's a computer that tries to guess what you're thinking of. It's amazing how the computer can actually guess what you're thinking of, no matter how obscure. Basically it's a process of elimination; the server gradually gets smarter and smarter as more people play the game.

20Q.net



You Send It – A great Web site for any college student, You Send It acts as a temporary storage site for really big files that you need to email to someone. We all know how hard it can be to email someone a 200MB file (especially graphic design majors), but You Send It lets you do just that: email insanely large files to any email address. Check it out next time you need to email a huge attachment to someone.

YouSendIt.com

White Pages – Just like the real phone book, this Web site is a free, national directory lookup service. It's both fast and accurate, and it's not just limited to residential—you can look up businesses as well. One awesome feature of this site is the reverse lookups. You can do a reverse search on a phone number or mailing address, and find out who that number or address is attached to. It comes in handy more often than you might think.

WhitePages.com

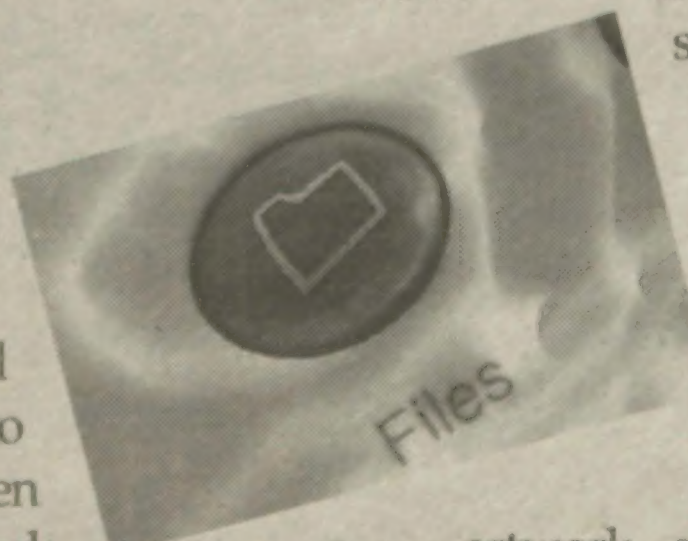
Image Shack – Ever get frustrated when a message board or other online community won't let you upload a photo, instead asking you to provide a link to an already-online one? Image Shack will host nearly any photo or graphic you want, providing you with permanent links to the picture that you can use on message boards, forums, blogs or even eBay. Just upload the photo and copy the links it gives you. Totally free, totally useful.

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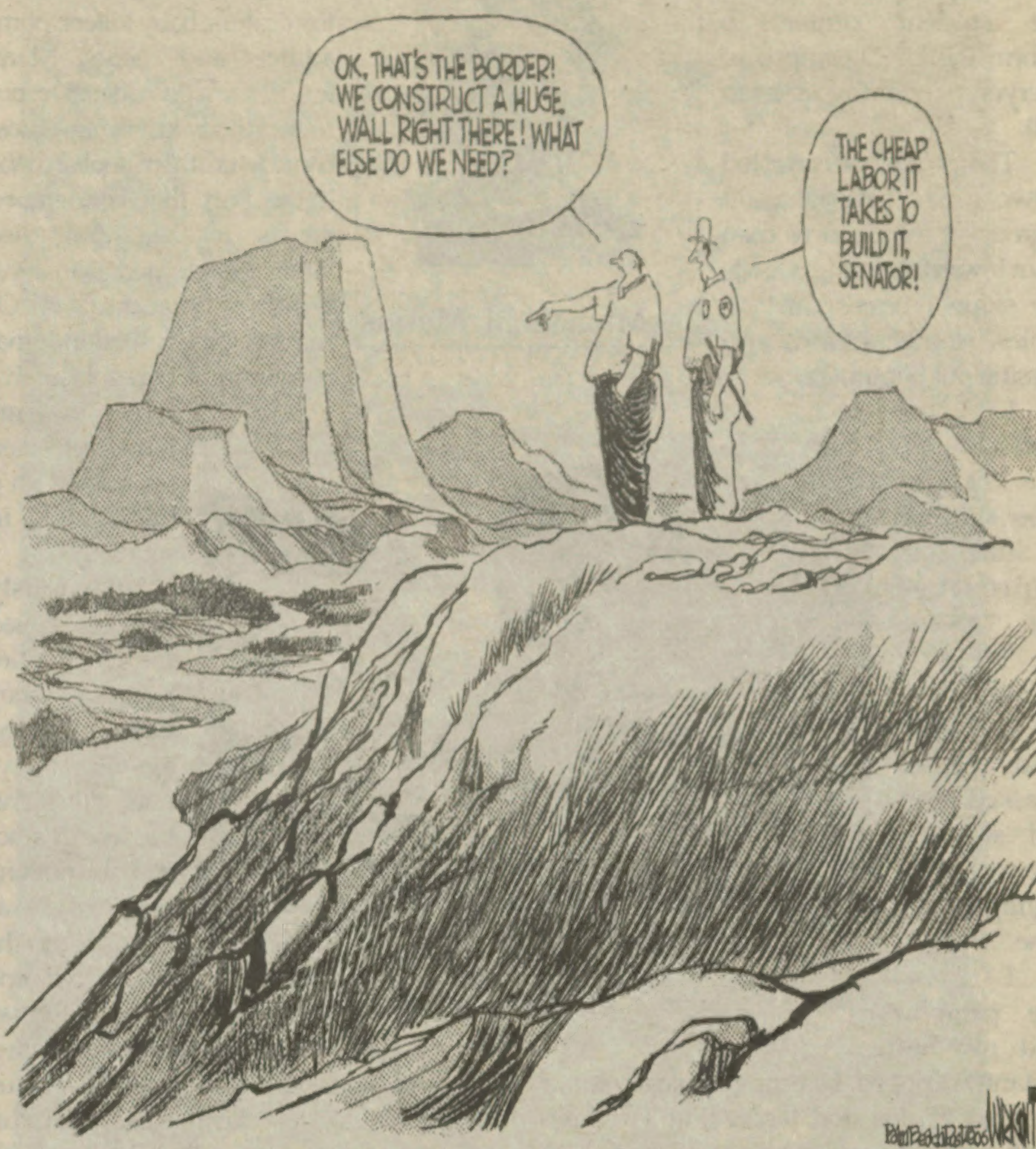
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Deviant Art – If you're an edgy art buff, or just a computer geek who enjoys dark and cyberpunk-style digital artwork, you'll want to check out Deviant Art. It serves as an online community for like-minded digital artists, as well as a place for anyone to go to download kick-ass wallpapers and pictures. Whatever your style, there's something for you here.

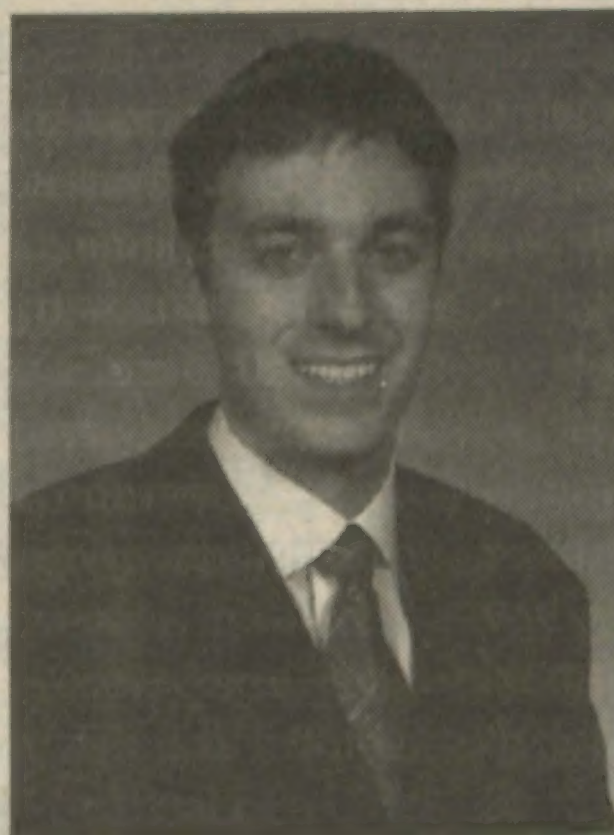
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DANIEL NIXA VICE CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP 2006



Daniel Nixa will graduate Magna Cum Laude in May with a Bachelor of Science in Business Economics. Daniel's extraordinary academic performance has been supported by his involvement in campus and community leadership activities. His campus involvement includes serving on the Honors Program Student Advisory Board, Students in Free Enterprise, Economics Club, Beta Gamma Sigma, and Omicron Delta Epsilon. His community service activities include volunteering as a G.E.D. Instructor, a teacher for Junior Achievement, and working with the Madonna School for Disabled Children. Daniel recently wrote of his journey to UNO, overcoming a number of adverse circumstances. He notes that because of his struggles, his collegiate success is very important to him. Daniel wrote, "These experiences have shaped my aspirations for the future and my desire to be someone who leads by example."

FINALISTS

VINCE DREILING



JESSICA VINCİK



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We're all going to hell

With that said, let me begin. On Monday April 3, a group of radical "Christian" protestors gathered outside the student center to inform the UNO campus of everyone's one-way ticket to hell.

The protestors consisted of two men holding signs, and a group of men and women from Iowa wandering outside the student center carrying Bibles, singing hymns and passing out pamphlets.

I was walking to one of my classes when a little girl approached me.

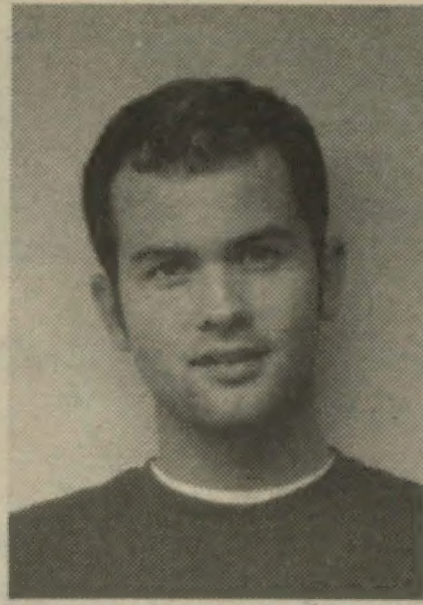
"Here," she said, "this is a good read." When I asked how old she was she replied by saying "I'm nine."

I took the pamphlet, and my heart

instantly dropped. I recently wrote a column on Fred Phelps and his radical Westboro Baptist Church, and it hit me. I stood there confused.... Was this really happening?

Although this group had no affiliation with the Westboro Church, I instantly saw my previous column come to life. The signs these men held were nearly identical to the signs Phelps and his followers carried around. The large sign condemned "Gays

How Typical



Michael McManus

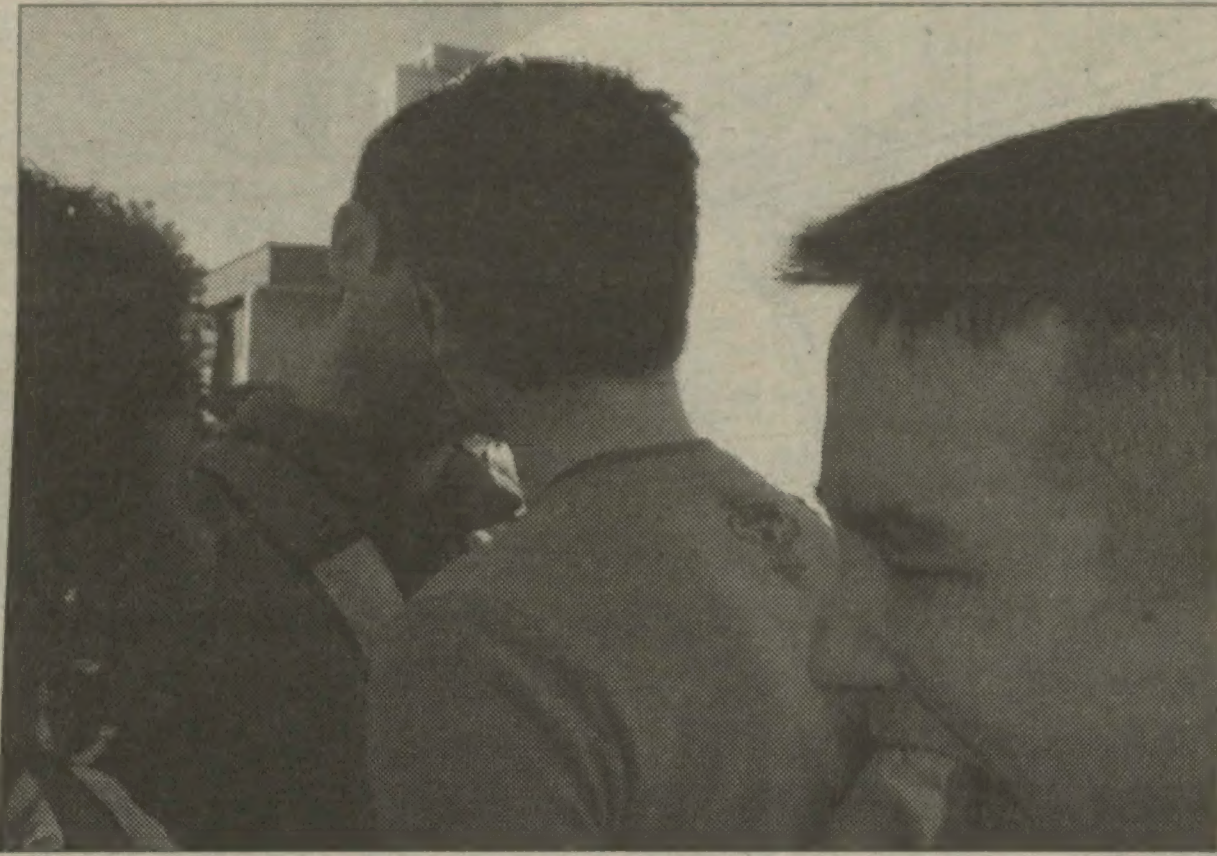


photo by Crystal R. Reid

Students react as Michael McManus and a male friend kiss in front of a sign bashing homosexuals.

and Lesbians," Muslims, Buddhists, Roman Catholics, Mormons, un-submissive wives, thieves, adulators, fornicators, baby killers, porn-addicts and racists. Many found the signs offensive, but more than anything, most considered them foolish. Was it the part that condemned racists to hell, but then later condemned Muslims, Buddhists and gays? Or maybe the section that condemned un-submissive wives in large font but then un-loving husbands in small?

Obviously this sign pissed me off. Not because they were picketing against gays and lesbians, because let's face it, that is nothing new. I was furious at the whole concept.

Muslims, Roman Catholics, gays,

Mormons and Buddhists were all put on this sign right next to thieves, fornicators and porn-addicts. I know the Christian Bible says "All sins are equal in the eyes of God," but can this group be any more hypocritical? What about Matthew 7:1? "Do not judge, or you too will be judged?" Must have been a verse they overlooked.

The group visited our campus to bring shame and condemnation to others like

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The GRE: What it is and why it matters

COMMENTARY BY SANEL SELIMOVIC

STAFF WRITER

Blake is a typical (and fictional) UNO student. He lives in a house with several roommates. Last week, he went out to get the mail and found a letter from the University of Pittsburgh. He is about to graduate in May, and has been waiting for response letters from universities across the United States.

He wanted to go to graduate school in Pittsburgh. As he eagerly opened his letter, he read the first several lines. "The University of Pittsburgh regrets to inform you that your application for graduate studies has been declined because we do not have your GRE scores on file."

This similar scene plays out in Omaha and

colleges across the country. Some people are unaware of what a GRE is and why they need to have it. Despite having all of his documentation in order, Blake will now have to wait until fall of 2007 to be accepted into a graduate studies program.

GRE is an acronym for "Graduate Record Exam." Among several other things, it is one of the critical parts of an application into graduate school. For those who don't intend on pursuing graduate studies, the test is not required. For everyone else, timing must be perfect and scores must meet certain criteria, depending on the school.

The GRE serves as a basis for admission into graduate school. It is also critical in determining financial aid for graduate school. Many graduate schools cost around \$20,000 per year and higher. Getting a high

score on a GRE almost certainly guarantees a teaching assistantship position that includes a tuition waiver and a monthly stipend.

Some graduate schools do not like their students to be working another job while attending school, so they will pay around \$1,000 per month for student's living expenses.

GRE is very similar to the ACT test in high school. It is a standardized test developed to gauge knowledge of students exiting a college and hoping to go further. The test is comprised of four separate sections: verbal, quantitative, analytical writing and a subject test.

The subject test is often taken separately from the general one, and focuses on a major that the student has chosen. The student needs to demonstrate that he or she has mastered the core material in each class.

Because many graduate schools have application deadlines in December, the GRE must be taken prior to that. The test may be retaken and the results are valid for five years. Retaking the test is not recommended unless you are absolutely certain that the college accepts retakes. Otherwise, a retake may end up hurting you.

Cramming for this test isn't really possible, so a student must diligently plan their study time. It is best to get acquainted with the test-taking strategies, but also with the course material. Several books on grammar, vocabulary and English may be very helpful. Students should review the basics of algebra, geometry and calculus. And they need to brush up on analytical writing skills.

Preparing for a GRE is not easy, and

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Student Leader of the Year

Elizabeth Kraemer was student leader of the month for November 2005. She was chosen as Student Leader of the year due to the passion that she has for making positive change on campus and in the Omaha Community. Elizabeth served the student body as the Student Body President, serving on the Board of Regents and Student Government for 2004/05. She also served as a past student senator, passing several resolutions that created positive change on UNO campus. She is an Emerging Leader and was involved the United Way Campaign in 2004. She is also a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority and currently serves as the Recruitment Director for Panhellenic/Sorority Recruitment. She is a contributing member in several other organizations, including Omicron Delta Kappa. We congratulate Elizabeth on a job well done and will miss her greatly after she graduates in May.



Student Leaders of the Month

Rising Stars

April 2005
Yohanes Tot

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Jorge Gomez

January 2006
Kara Warner



April 2005

Amber Lewis, Troy Ezell

May 2005

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August 2005

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January 2006

Alex Williams, Aaron Gilliland

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Tumela Gobagoba, TJ Jones

Chronicles of Narnia comes to home video

REVIEW BY JONATHAN HARROLD
STAFF WRITER

After waiting many years for a major motion picture version of C.S. Lewis' widely revered novels, *Chronicles of Narnia*, many were disappointed with the final product of the first film: *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Some described it as *The Lord of the Rings* for kids. But many enjoyed the fantastic world, the characters which inhabit it and Lewis' vivid tale of good and evil.

The Narnia legend also differs from *Lord of the Rings* with a sense of both social and spiritual commentary. Not merely a simple tale, *The Chronicles of Narnia* are a Christian allegory, wisely woven subtly enough by Lewis to not frighten off anyone with a differing view point.

This film, subtitled *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, is the first in the Narnia series, so if you liked this movie, there's more where that came from. If you liked the movie enough to want to own it, you have two (make that two and a half) ways to go. You can go with just the movie, in wide or full screen (that's where the half comes in), which retails at \$29.99, or you can cough up \$10 more for the "Special

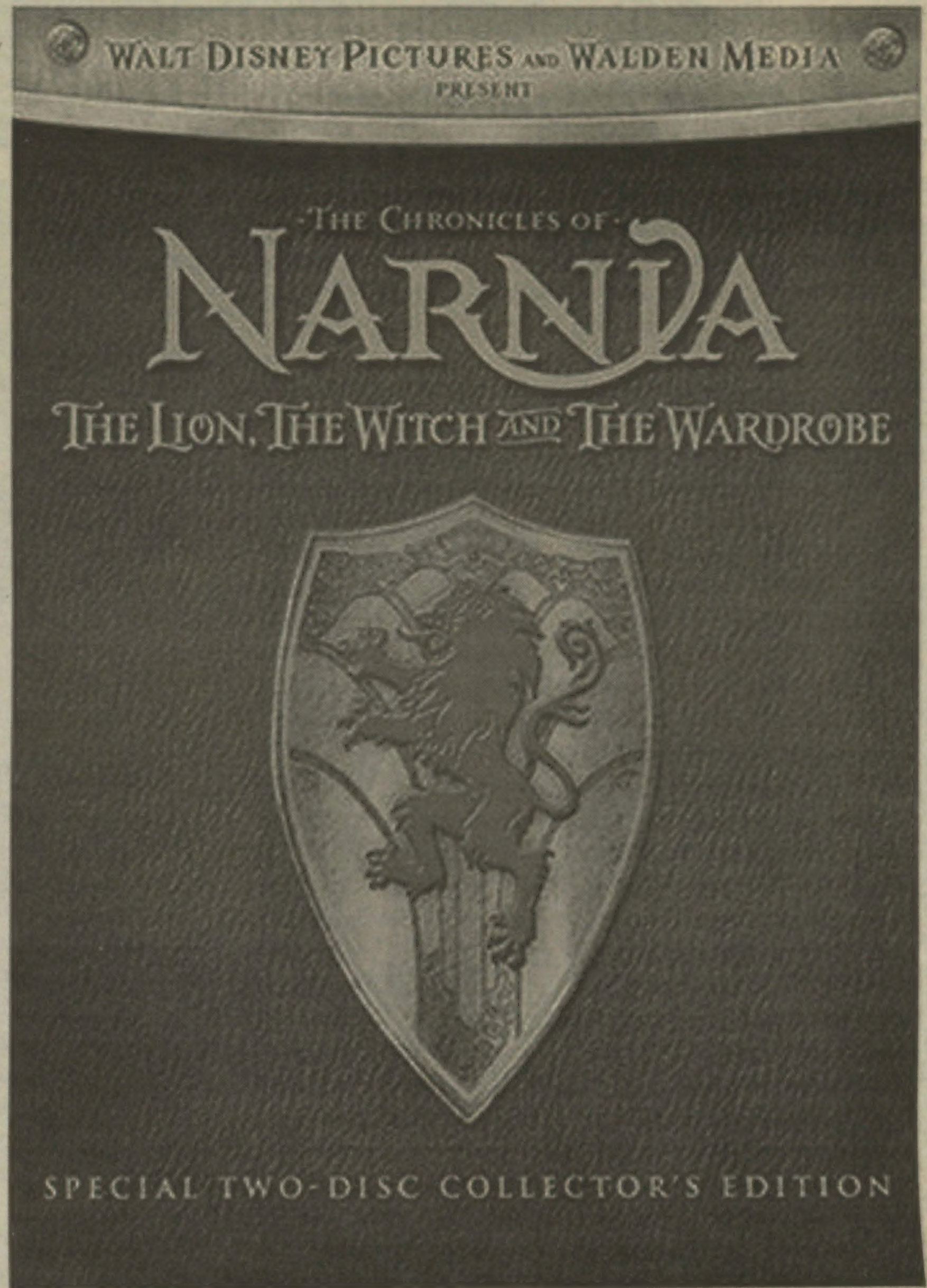
Two-Disc Collector's Edition." The first disc contains the movie and the beginning of the special features, which wrap up on the second disc. You get bloopers and outtakes, audio commentary from the cast and crew and the option to view trivia with the movie, ala VH1's "Pop Up Video."

The second disc begins with three documentaries covering the director, the child actors and the development of the product starting at Lewis' inspiration for the books. Also on the second disc: three interactive features that offer more information about Narnia, its characters and history.

The casual movie watcher will enjoy the bloopers and the trivia, while real Narnia enthusiasts will be able to sink their cinematic teeth into the deeper details offered by the material on the second disc. If you're a fan of the series or just enjoyed the movie, there's a lot to like here. The only thing that could really be missing, at least from the Special Edition, is information about the next movie in the series. Because there are two (and a half) versions available for purchase, they get different scores. If you're picking up the regular edition, expect some B- quality.

As for the special edition:

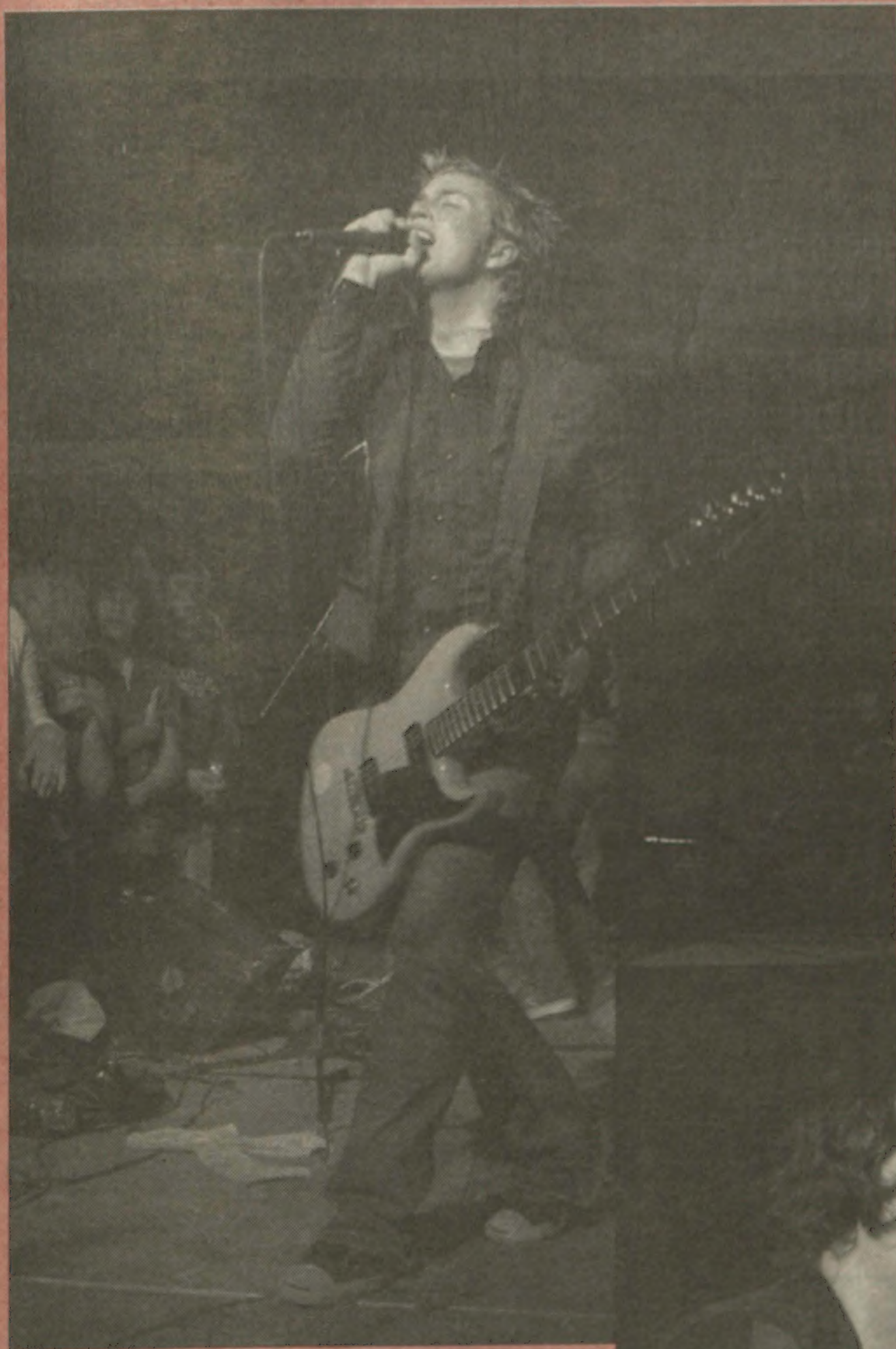
Grade: A



Buena Vista Home Entertainment

The two-disc collector's edition, shown above, is a significantly better value than the regular edition.

Rocket Summer plays UNO



The Rocket Summer performed for students Monday night in the MBSC. The Student Programing Organization hosted the concert featuring The Rocket Summer and Epic Hero.

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Release Date: March 28, 2006
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CHARLEY REED
 MAVRADIO STAFF



Ask most people about German band Rammstein and they will probably respond by listing off the band's most popular singles: 1997's "Engel," 1999's "Du Hast," and 2002's "Feuer Frei."

It would be an understatement to say that Rammstein, Germany's top selling band of all time, has lost a lot of the momentum they had at the tail end of the 20th century. That has not stopped the band from crashing through labels and stereotypes like a battering ram.

The last anyone this side of the Atlantic heard of Rammstein was in 2001 when the band released its third album titled *Mutter* (Mother). The band released a fourth studio album in 2004 called *Reise, Reise* (Rise, Rise), which was moderately successful here in the United States, but nowhere near the popularity the band experienced in Europe, landing on numerous top 10 lists around the continent.

Americans may recognize some of the more popular songs from *Reise, Reise*, like "Amerika" or "Mein Teil," which garnered the band a Grammy nomination. For the most part, the album came and went with little fan fare. Now, in 2006, the band looks to strike again with a *Reise* B-Sides album called *Rosenrot*. *Rosenrot* is an album comprised of six songs left off of the band's previous 11-track album, along with five additional songs. The album was released in October 2005 in Germany, December 2005 in Canada and was just released here in America last week.

Rammstein is famous for mixed reaction from critics because of its controversial lyrics. The first single from the album, "Benzin" (Gasoline) is no exception. The track is mostly about pyromania, but is also about America's dependence on oil with a refrain of "I need gasoline! Give me gasoline!" The song is actually a very typical song from Rammstein, if there is such a thing, comparable to "Amerika" or "Feuer Frei."

The next song of note was actually

intended to be the first single from *Reise, Reise*, but was left off of the album completely. Instead, the track, "Rosenrot" (Rose Red), gets the title treatment on this album. The song is about a young couple falling in love with disastrous consequences, and is much more forceful - in the vein of "Du Hast" or "Mein Herz Brennt." Fans of the older Rammstein will enjoy this song very much; it is certainly one of the best on the album.

The following track, "Spring" (Jump), is much more melodic and poetic than the previous two tracks. But at the same time, Rammstein is able to incorporate driving bass lines which are quite impressive. Lyrically, the song is quite powerful, focusing on suicide as entertainment.

Musically, it is one of the more complicated songs, jumping from the band's signature hard rock refrains into a soft and somber chorus. It makes for quite a satisfying listen.

Finally, the songs "Zerstören" (Destroy) and "Ein Lied" (A Song) are polar opposites of each other, but really unique and enjoyable in their own right. "Zerstören" is easily the fastest Rammstein song on *Rosenrot*, but then at the end, the song suddenly slows down and fades out in the droning sing-song voice of Till Lindemann, the band's vocalist. "Ein Lied," however, is a completely somber and slow song the entire way through, which hardly ever happens with Rammstein. With lyrics like "We were born for music, we are the servants of your ears, whenever you're sad, we play for you," the song is admittedly a "thank you" to the band's fans and is a good way to close the album.

Rammstein may not always have commercial success here in America, but the band's ability to stay creative and unique within their musical and lyrical talents cannot be disputed. *Rosenrot* is no exception to that trend, and should and could very well be the band's next big American success story.

Release Dates and Events: April 7 – April 15

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 ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Concerts:

Friday, April 7
 Narcotic Self with Cellador, Stigmata,
 DirtFedd and Both Guns Blazin' @ Sokol
 Underground, 8 p.m., \$7

Saturday, April 8
 Prospect Avenue with SOJH,
 Eyes Catch Fire and 8th Wave @ Sokol
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DVD:

Tuesday, April 11

Wolf Creek
 Fun With Dick and Jane
 The Greatest Game Ever Played

In Theaters:

Friday, April 7

The Benchwarmers
 Lucky Number Slevin
 Take the Lead
 Phat Girls

Music Albums:

Tuesday, April 11

Toby Keith: *White Trash with Money*
 Daniel Powter: *Daniel Powter*
 Buckcherry: *15*
 LL Cool J: *Todd Smith*

Gaming New Releases:

Major League Baseball 2K6 – PS2, XB
 NBA Ballers Phenom – PS2, XB

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myself; however, they failed miserably. If this protest did anything, it simply made me proud. Proud to be gay, and most importantly, proud of my fellow classmates and peers for sticking up for their beliefs and showing this group that Nebraska isn't as close-minded as they assume.

Students held signs reading, "God loves all sinners," "God is love," and even one poking fun at the protestors that read "Protesting makes me horny." I went a step

further, and took a more physical approach. I grabbed one of my guy friends, made my way up to the protester holding the sign, and began kissing my friend in front of him. I honestly don't know what came over me, but what better statement to make? Applause quickly followed the kiss, and the man told me I was "sick and disgusting." I simply took a bow and walked away.

There is no denying the fact that these protestors had a right to be on our campus, but please, if you're going to protest something, must you offend absolutely everyone in the process? I'm only speaking for myself, but I fit four of the categories on that sign. I suppose my future is hopeless.

Perhaps the most touching moment of the protest was one that may have gone unnoticed by most; I'll never forget the song

Disclaimer: If you are Muslim, gay, Mormon, Buddhist or Roman Catholic you are going to hell (or so I hear).

that played on the bell tower at around 3 p.m. I don't know if it was planned or just a coincidence: *America the Beautiful* rang throughout the campus, and all I could do was smile. America truly is beautiful, but not only in the physical aspect.

Look around. Everyone is different. Our campus is a portrait of color and diversity, something we often take for granted, and something these protestors obviously don't appreciate.

I often feel as if I repeat myself when I talk about religion and homosexuality,

but I really don't think it can be said enough. Can you honestly imagine a heaven without gay people? Without Roman Catholics? Or Buddhists? I don't know who your God is, but my God would never turn his back on any of the above. If I've learned anything about the Christian religion, it's that the Christian God is "love." Whether you agree with homosexuality, Buddhism or abortion, it doesn't matter. Love is universal; it transcends all religions, genders and ethnic races. Perhaps if these protestors would have been more like their God, and brought some love to the UNO campus rather than uneducated hate, they would have been perceived better...then again, maybe not.

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students should take the following few months to prepare for this exam if they need to take it. It is also highly recommended that they consult their academic advisers and various other advisers throughout UNO that can offer detailed information on this test.

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McArthur breaks record, Mavs split doubleheader

NATHAN LEETE
SPORTS EDITOR

The No. 11 UNO softball team went into Wednesday's doubleheader tied with North Central Conference rival Augustana College in league play. The teams split the two games to remain tied, but UNO's Lauren McArthur achieved dominance by breaking the Mavericks' career record for doubles.

In game one, Augustana scored a run on series of singles in both the first and seventh innings to take the 2-0 win.

"Both pitchers threw a good game," said Jeanne Tostenson Scarpello, UNO's head coach. "I thought we attacked [Katie Krauth] better than we ever have; we just couldn't find a hole. They played a good game and flat out beat us."

The Mavericks may have lost game one, but they came back with a vengeance in game two. UNO scored five runs on 14 hits, but left 10 runners on the bags.

Sara Sortino started things off for the Mavs with a line drive to left for a single. Alison Jergenson ran out a bunt to put two runners on base. Augustana walked Shilo Jorgensen to load the bases for Katy Novotny. Novotny drove a liner under a diving Viking for a two-RBI double.

The Mavs carried the 2-0 lead into

the bottom of the third, where they added two more runs. Leslie Svoboda scored on McArthur's first double of the night to put the Mavs up 3-0 and force an Augustana pitching change. Brianna Cautadella hit an RBI double to bring McArthur in and put UNO up 4-0.

In the fourth inning, Jergenson ran out her second bunt of the night to reach base with no outs. She stole her 14th base of the season, putting herself in position to score when Svoboda slammed a ball off of Renee

Lobeda's leg for an RBI single to close out scoring.

McArthur hit a deep ball to center for her 54th career double in the bottom of the sixth, breaking the career record for doubles. Jennifer Carson, who played from 1999 to 2002, held the previous record of 53.

"[McArthur] has been a good hitter all four years for us," Scarpello said. "We knew she was going to break the record, I just didn't think it would be today. I had no idea it

was even on the line this game."

Cheris Kuster picked up the 5-0 win, allowing just three hits with eight strikeouts. UNO is now 27-6 on the season and tied with Augustana for the NCC lead at 3-1.

The Mavericks take the field again today in a double header against North Dakota slated for 1 p.m.



photo by Michelle Bishop
Brooke Wagner gets the force out at second to send Augustana's Katie Krauth back to the dugout during the second game on Wednesday. The Mavericks split the doubleheader against the Vikings.

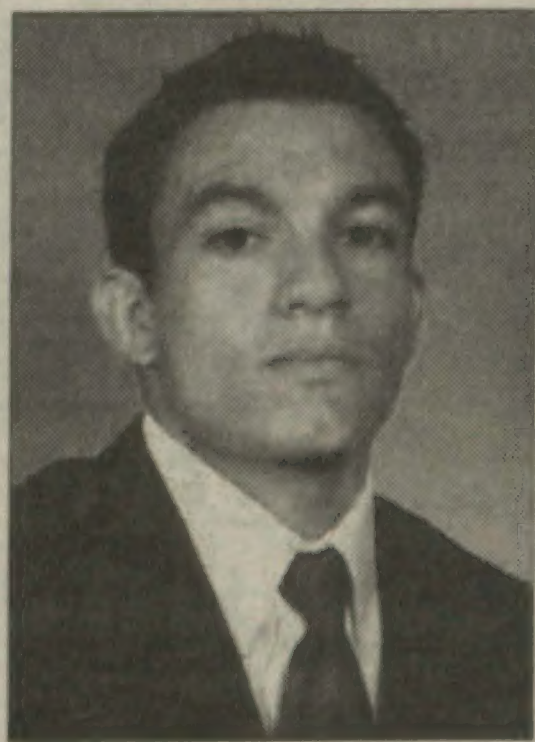


photo by Michelle Bishop
Lauren McArthur (right) celebrates with Beth Harris after scoring to put the Mavs up 4-0 in the third inning of the second game against Augustana on Wednesday. During the same game, McArthur hit her 54th career double, breaking the UNO career record for doubles.

Wrestlers celebrate third national championship on April 10

NATHAN LEETE
SPORTS EDITOR

The UNO wrestling team will celebrate its back-to-back NCAA Division II National Championships in the lobby of the Lee and Helene Sapp Fieldhouse on Monday, April 10, at 3 p.m.



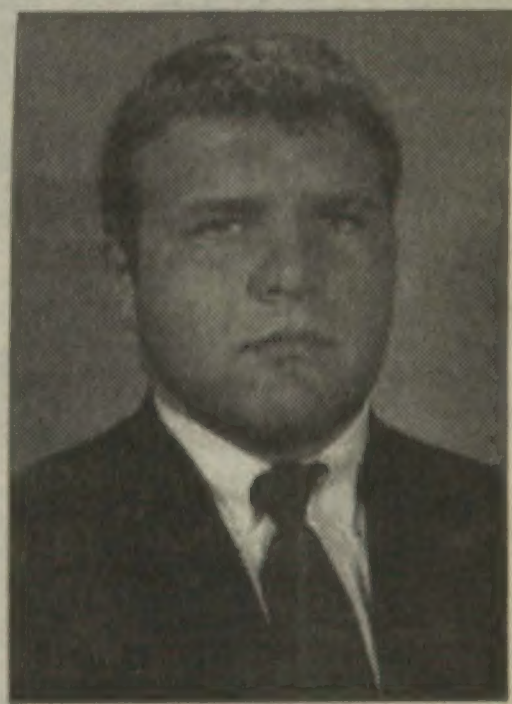
Cody Garcia

will be on hand to honor the team and Head Coach Mike Denney.

All 10 wrestlers on the team qualified for the NCAA championships in Findley, Ohio, on March 11 and 12. Les Sigman became only the fourth wrestler in Division II history to win the national championship in all four years

of eligibility at the meet. Freshman Cody Garcia capped his season off with a national title as well.

All 10 wrestlers were named to the National Wrestling Coaches Association All-Academic team and the Mavericks had the third highest team GPA in the nation with a 3.409. Seven Mavericks were also named All-Americans this season, which is the most since 2000.



Les Sigman

Golfers swing to victory at USD Invite

NATHAN LEETE
SPORTS EDITOR

The UNO golf team took home the team title at the University of South Dakota Invite in the Mavericks' first action since March 16. The Mavs shot a 346 in the first round and a 330 in the second for a total of 676 at The Bluffs Golf Club in Vermillion, S.D., Monday afternoon. Winona State came in second, followed by South Dakota and Minnesota State-Mankato.

Mandy Houtz led the Mavs with a second-round 78 that put her in a four-way tie for the lead. She lost to Upper Iowa's Rachel Schmidt on the fifth playoff hole. The

Manhattan, Kan., native had to finish her first round Monday morning after Sunday's action was called off because of darkness.

Lynn Mulligan shot an 85-81 for a total of 166, followed by Lindsay Newton's 90-84—174. Kate O'Dea's 89-87—176 and Sara Wolfe's 90-90—180 rounded out scoring for the Mavericks' team.

Two Mavs competed on the 5,965-yard par-72 course as individuals. Amanda Stock shot 79-86—165, and Carly Froehlich shot 89-86-175.

The Mavericks will host the Ironwood Collegiate Classic Friday and Saturday at the Ironwood Country Club. The Mavericks have won the event the last three years.

Tennis results for Tuesday, April 4

WASHBURN 5, MAVERICKS 4

Singles

- 1) Jennifer Keiner (WU) def. Katie Schmidt (UNO), 6-4, 4-6, 7-5
- 2) Julie Huyberegts (WU) def. Maggie Russell (UNO), 6-3, 6-1
- 3) Rachel Faulk (UNO) def. Audrie Miller (WU), 6-0, 6-0

- 4) Amber Raindl (WU) def. Abby Wislon (UNO), 6-3, 6-1
- 5) Allie Gardner (WU) def. Amy Pierson (UNO), 6-4, 7-5
- 6) Katie Spahn (UNO) def. Lisa Coleman (WU), 6-1, 6-3

Doubles

- 1) Faulk/Russell (UNO) def.

- Lauren Haris/Keiner (WU), 8-3
- 2) Schmidt/Wilson (UNO) def. Huyberegts/Raindl (WU), 8-6
- 3) A. Miller/ Alex Roddenbeek (WU) def. Pierson/Kylie Roe (UNO), 8-2

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Mav-Rec Outdoor Venture Center

Backcountry Cooking Workshop:

Monday, Apr. 10 from 7:00 PM - 9:45 PM
 \$5 for UNO Students/Faculty/Activity Cardholders
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Tuesday, Apr. 11, meet at 6:00 PM
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